in Andhra Pradesh and Mirzapur in U.P. under its healthy cities project, if so, what are the details of the project;

(b) whether major thrust of the project is to promote sound ecological principles like a minimum intrusion into natural State;

(c) the names of other cities which are likely to be covered under the project;

(d) what amount W.H.O. would spend on the project; and

(e) by when the project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) No, Sir. There is no proposal to cover Hyderabad in Andhra Pradesh and Mirzapur in U.P. under the Healthy Cities Project

(b) to (e) Does not arise.

Opening of Dental department in RML Hospital

2117. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request has been received from a Member of Parliament • for opening a dental department, equipped with all the facilities, in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital;

(b) whether Member of Parliament have to visit private hospitals for getting artificial teeth where they have to spend a lot of money on this count; and

(c) by when Government would set up a dental department in Dr. R.M.L. Hospital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) During the meeting of House Committee of the Lok Sabha on the 29th June, 2000, the issue of dental services and its ugradation in Parliament House Annexe and Central Government hostipals in Delhi, was raised. The issue was examined by a special Committee in Dte. G.H.S., where MS (RML Hospital) was a member, and recommended upgradation of their dental care facilities upto artificial denture and crown fitting. Dte. also recommended that till such time this upgradation is achieved, package rate may be fixed for artificial dentures and single fixed

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

crown for some private hospitals/dentists. The interim arrangement was recommended to exten these facilities to CGHS beneficiaries and Members of Parliament, at the earliest possible.

(c) The dental department is already in existence in Dr. R.M.L. Hospital.

Medicine Supply to C.G.H.S. at Exorbitant Rates

2118. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a few Medical Officers of C.G.H.S. dispensaries in Delhi and a few suppliers of medicine have been booked by C.B.I, for supplying medicines at exorbitant rates;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the officers have since been suspended and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details of the cases are given in the Statement (See below).

The CBI has further stated that since the cases are still under investigation action to be taken on the basis of these cases can be assessed only after the probe is completed.

(c) In view of the position stated in (a) and (b) above, no action is .contemplated at this stage.

Statement

Details of the cases of booking of CGHS Medical Officers by C.B.I.

1. RC-63(A)/2000-DLI dt. 31.10.2000 u/s 120B, r/w Sec 420, IPC and Sec 13(2) r/w 13 (l)(d) of PC Act, 1988, has been registered against Sh. Saranjit Deb, the then CVMO, S.S. Khatri, the then Pharmacist, Gole Market Dispensary (CGHS) and M/s Oberoi Medical & General Store, Channa Market, Karoi Bagh, New Delhi on the allegation that they entered into a criminal conspiracy with the object to cheat and cause undue pecuniary advantage to themselves and the firm in the matter of local purchase of medicines by abusing their official positions as public servants.